

III. Remarks

The Examiner requires that the present application be restricted to one of the following species of claims:

Group I – claims 1 – 7 and 20 – 24;

Group II – claims 9 and 11 – 16; and

Group III – claims 17 - 18

Applicant has elected Group I claims 1 – 7 and 20 – 24.

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance for the reasons set forth in Applicant's response of July 31, 2007 to the Office Action on the merits mailed May 2, 2007. Should the Examiner have any questions or believe that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application, please contact the undersigned.

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